

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF  
NATE WEBB, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
OF THE OKLAHOMA CREDIT  
UNION ASSOCIATION

**HON. TOM COLE**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2022*

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate my good friend and Executive Director of the Oklahoma Credit Union Association, Nate Webb, on his retirement. His dedication to bettering our great state is certainly commendable. I wish him well and an enjoyable retirement, but I am sad to see him go.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2022*

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, on June 8, 2022, I was unable to be present for the recorded vote on Roll Call No. 235. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on the Motion on Ordering the Previous Question (H. Res. 1153).

HONORING ERIN PIERONE FOR  
HER CAREER OF SERVING THE  
STATE OF NEW YORK

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2022*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank Erin Pierone on her retirement for faithfully serving the state of New York for over thirty years.

In 1989, Erin graduated from the State University of New York in Plattsburg with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. After she graduated, Erin dedicated her life to serving some of the youngest members of her community. For sixteen years, she worked as a Child Protective Services caseworker in both the Saratoga and Warren County Departments of Social Services. During this time, she worked tirelessly as an advocate for the children of Saratoga and Warren Counties. She conducted numerous investigations into abuse and maltreatment to ensure a better future for every child with which she worked. Following her career as a caseworker, Erin continued to dedicate herself to improving the lives of those in her community by working as a Crime Victim Specialist in the Saratoga County District Attorney's office and for the New York State Police. During this time, Erin worked relentlessly to provide victims emotional support, rights information, help in finding necessary resources and assistance in filling out crime-related forms. Erin also often accompanied victims and their family members throughout the criminal justice proceedings.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Erin was a board member with the Saratoga Center for the Family. For five years, she also served as vice president and president of the New York Crime Victims Assist-

ance Task Force. Erin received many well-deserved accolades throughout her career; including the Betty Martin award for Victim Advocacy through the Albany County District Attorney's office, awards for Victim Advocacy from the Warren County and Saratoga County District Attorney offices, the New York State Police Troop G Special Recognition award, and the New York State Police Superintendent's award.

As a Child Protective Services worker and Crime Victim Specialist, Erin has been an invaluable resource to law enforcement and her community. Her dedication and passion will be forever remembered by the countless people that she has helped throughout her 32-year career. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I thank Erin for her incredible service to our community and wish her a happy and blessed retirement.

HONORING RETIRED MAJOR GENERAL GARY HARRELL FOR 35  
YEARS OF MILITARY SERVICE

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2022*

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Major General Gary Harrell for 35 years of extraordinary military service and his recent induction as a Distinguished Member of the Special Forces Regiment by the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School.

Maj. Gen. Harrell has made immeasurable contributions to our great Nation and continues to personify the core U.S. Army values of honor, integrity, personal courage, and selfless service. He began his career in 1973 with the 82nd Airborne Division and retired in 2008 as the Deputy Commander of the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.

Over the course of his remarkable career, Maj. Gen. Harrell served as a special operations action officer, deputy commander, commander, and director among other positions in military operations around the globe. In some of his most notable assignments, he helped rescue American hostage Kurt Muse in Panama as part of Operation Just Cause, deployed with Joint Special Operations Command in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, served as Commander of Task Force Bowie and Assistant Division Commander for the 10th Mountain Division in Operation Anaconda in Afghanistan, and served as Commander of Special Operations Command where he oversaw more than 20,000 troops in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He continues to serve our military in retirement as an executive board member for the Task Force Dagger Foundation. Through this role, he has helped secure donations to benefit injured or ill special operations service members and their families.

On account of his exemplary service, Maj. Gen. Harrell received many of our Nation's most impressive distinctions and awards, including the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal with a Valor Device and Two Oak Leaf Clusters, a Purple Heart Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal and the Army

Commendation Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters among other awards and distinctions. He represents the best our nation has to offer, and we will look up to his leadership for generations to come.

As Fort Bragg's Congressman, I know I speak for our Nation and community when I say we are truly grateful for Maj. Gen. Harrell's exceptional service. There is no one more deserving of being named a Distinguished Member of the Special Forces Regiment. I would like to offer my sincerest appreciation and wish him and his family success in all their future endeavors.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring Major General Gary Harrell for 35 years of distinguished military service and leadership.

INTRODUCTION OF BRIDGE CORROSION PREVENTION AND REPAIR ACT

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2022*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, today I introduce the "Bridge Corrosion Prevention and Repair Act," with Congressman ANTHONY G. BROWN (D-MD). Our legislation is endorsed by the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT) and the Association for Materials Protection and Performance (formerly called the National Association of Corrosion Engineers and the Society for Protective Coatings).

This legislation would require all federally funded bridge projects to use certified contractors for any corrosion control work and employ industry-recognized standards for corrosion mitigation and prevention. Specifically, my legislation would prompt State, county, and municipal transportation departments to employ qualified, trained corrosion control professionals who have completed federally registered apprenticeship programs.

In July 2021, the House passed my "Bridge Corrosion Prevention and Repair Act" as Section 1116 from Chairman PETER A. DEFAZIO's (D-OR) "Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation (INVEST) in America Act," of which I was a cosponsor. While it was ultimately not included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), I plan to build upon Chairman DEFAZIO's work on corrosion prevention policy and promoting apprenticeships.

In the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81), I secured Section 813 (Office of Corrosion Policy and Oversight employee training requirements) directing the U.S. Department of Defense to make use of federally registered apprenticeship programs for training military personnel, civilian employees, and military construction contractors on anti-corrosion activities. Under my amendment to the FY2022 NOAA, the DOD's Office of Corrosion Policy and Oversight Employee Training Requirements is charged with coordinating this work.

Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Congress and the Biden Administration are making the largest federal investment to modernize our nation's infrastructure since the Interstate Highway System was established in